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1. CHANGE-OVER IN LOCAL GENERAL ELECTRIC OFFICE, WHERE LEONARD ZUBKO WILL SHORTLY BE REPLACED AS SENIOR REPRESENTATIVE BY

PAUL LAPTEV, HAS AGAIN RAISED PROBLEM POSED BY SOVIET REFUSAL TO GIVE MULTIPLE-ENTRY/EXIT VISAS TO HEADS OF U.S. ACCREDITED OFFICES WHO ARE NOT THEMSELVES AMERICAN CITIZENS. LAPTEV IS CANADIAN NATIONAL, AND DURING MEETING SEPTEMBER 5 WITH OFFICIALS OF MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE'S PROTOCOL DEPARTMENT HE WAS TOLD THAT UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN U.S. AND USSR ON ACCREDITATIONS APPLIED ONLY TO U.S. NATIONALS, INSOFAR AS MULTIPLE ENTRY/EXIT VISAS CONCERNED.

2. COMMENT: AS NOTED REFTEL, EMBASSY DOES NOT BELIEVE WE SHOULD ACCEPT THIS SOVIET INTERPRETATION OF PETERSON-PATOLICHEV EXCHANGE OF LETTERS OF OCTOBER 1972 AND LONG-TERM ECONOMIC AGREEMENT OF JUNE 1974. IN ORDER TO COORDINATE OUR EFFORTS WITH THOSE OF LOCAL BUSINESS COMMUNITY, WE WOULD BE INTERESTED IN KNOWING WHETHER BEWT PLANS RAISE THIS MATTER

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